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QUALIFICATIONS OF J. M. CONNER

For the Exacting and Important Position of Bishop—A Word Concerning the Retiring of Bishops—The Connection Must Not Retreat.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Four years ago the leading Negro journals of the country, religious and secular, sparkled with information with reference to the life, character and qualifications of the men who were soon to be elevated to the bishopric in the A. M. E. church. It was a foregone conclusion that there would be four bishops elected.

Some writers thought it proper to inform the delegates to that body as to the qualification of these men. They were not wrong. There was an abundance of bishop timber in the aggregation. When the smoke had cleared away at Columbus, O., five new bishops had been added to the bench. Four of them were general officers, or had been. It is saying nothing against the present corps of general officers to state that there seems to be a growing sentiment in the church today, preferring men from the ranks to be made bishops, especially those who have spent many years in the pastorate successfully. The day of considering a general officeship as a logical last stepping stone to the bishopric, is passing, and that rapidly. There is a prevailing sentiment in favor of retaining the successful general officer in his position, allowing him a chance to develop his official functions; and a thoroughly settled purpose to dislodge every official failure, and fill his place with a more competent man. It is also fair to state that the erstwhile spirit of restlesshess on the part of general officers—the unreasonable greed for higher honor—is also passing. Had this change not come as soon as it did, this unholy spirit of ambition would have been rebuked by filling the majority of general officers with laymen.

The conditions cited above, together with the prevailing sentiment in favor of "enough bishops already," places but few candidates in the field for episcopal honors in 1904. But unless the A. M. E. church has decided to retreat, (a thing she has never done) then one more bishop will be elected at the next general conference, to fill the place made vacant by the death of Bishop M. M. Moore.

Everything points in the direction of Dr. J. M. Conner, of Arkansas. First, he hails from a section that according the logic of events, demands recognition. Just think of it! Arkansas has just rounded up her conferences, reporting $11,600 dollar money, to be poured into the lap of the connectional treasury. By way of parenthesis I may say that the bishop from that state came direct from the ranks. He was never a general officer and never seemed to have an aspiration along that line. Yet Bishop Evans Tyree, of Arkansas and Mississippi, has broken all previous records, both spiritually and financially in that district. Dr. Conner is a typical Afro-American, an African Methodist to the manor born; scholarly, brainy, an eloquent speaker, a forcible preacher of the gospel, a model pastor and a financier of ability. He is young—not too young—and vigorous, a man of robust physique, a quality so essential to the wear and tear of that responsible position. Dr. Conner is said by those who know him best, to be cool, level headed and firm; a man of exceptional executive ability. In him are the combined qualities of the lion and the lamb—bold as the king of the forest when occasion requires it, and as gentle as a lamb at the proper time. So much has been said of him through the press concerning his scholarly attainments, his ability as an author and his prominence as a citizen, it is useless to mention those things here.

The one thing above many others which eminently qualifies Dr. Conner for the bishopric is his great experience and superior knowledge concerning the pastorate. It goes without saying that the A. M. E church has made some mistakes in electing men to the bishopric who have had too little experience in the pastorate. Superior school advantages or good book learning are only minor items qualifying one for the bishopric. Men are needed who understand the church in all of its details, from the official board to the bishopric; from the humblest mission in the back woods to the fashionable, swell station in the city. Men who, knowing the ups and downs of ministerial life, and can be touched by the feeling of the brethren's infirmities. We believe that Dr. Conner will measure up to this standard. Dr. Conner should not be considered simply because he hails from Arkansas, or because Arkansas puts him forth as a candidate to be made bishop for that state, but because the African M. E. church needs such a man on the bench. Some expected to witness an exodus of Tennessee preachers to the Eighth Episcopal district after the last general conference, following Bishop Tyree. But while it would have given great rejoicing in Tennessee to have had Bishop Tyree assigned to the Ninth district, yet we wanted it understood that we desired Dr. Tyree elected as a bishop of the A. M. E. church, and not the bishop of Tennessee. Nobody any longer questions the wisdom of Tennessee's choice. Bishop Tyree is to day not only the idol of the Eight Episcopal district and the pride of Tennessee, but he is one of the most popular bishops on the bench.

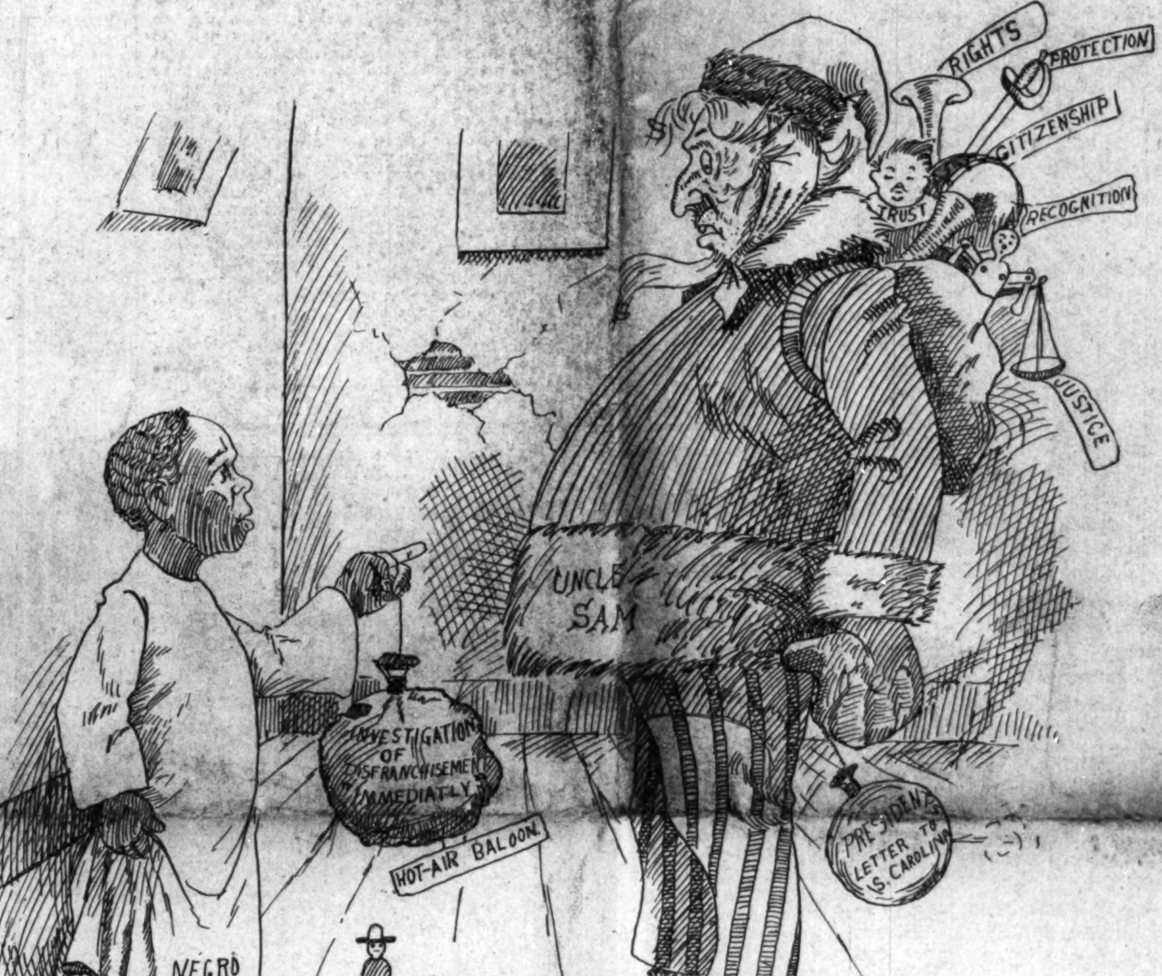
Dr. J. M. Conner is, to begin with, one of the strongest connectional men in the church, and wherever he might go, he would not only be a bishop in its fullest sense, but he would grace the office to the credit of himself and to the entire connection. These lines are written in the interest of the church, and not in the interest of Dr. J. M. Conner or Arkansas. The times are demanding strong, courageous men. The church is loudly calling for true, well equipped men. We believe that Dr. J. M. Conner will be a blessing to the church if placed upon the bench of bishops.

Some things have recently been said, pro and con, concerning some of the bishops retiring or being retired in 1904. It is not likely that any bishop, however infirm. will be retired against his will. The A. M. E. church has not yet reached the point of doing that. Let this be as it may, yet no one, well informed, will deny that our present force of bishops will be inadequate to the task for the next four years. The A. M. E. church must hold its rank. It cannot afford to take any steps backwards.

What might she not do in the next four years with the following men added leading the army: J. M. Conner, H. T, Johnson, W. D. Chappelle, L. H. Reynolds, J. S. Flipper and J. M. Turner?

J. A. JONES.

Pulaski, Tenn.



News Personal and General.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Elwood C. Knox, manager of The Freeman, and Will Goodall, of Indianapolis, saw Williams and Walker in "Dahomey" at the Grand Opera House in this city on the 11th. Joseph Douglass gave a recital, assisted by the choir and local lights, on the 8th, and was well received. A reception was given at the residence of Dr. Nowel after the recital, Mr. Douglass being the guest of honor. Mr. Dorant, of Chicago, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of W. M. Bardy. The A. M. E. Sunday school is preparing to give a Christmas cantata. The Willing Workers are making preparations to give an entertainment in the near future. Several persons from Anderson saw Williams and Walker's show in this city last week. The holiday number promises to be the finest ever issued and will cost 10 cents.

Society and Personal Notes.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—A splendid sermon was preached at the A. M. E. church last Sunday by Rev. T. A. Thompson, D. D. "Resolved, That paper has been of more service than powder," was debated Tuesday evening at the literary society by Messrs. Egester and Williams. W. A. Ross and wife, of Milwaukee, Wis., will spend the holidays here. The home of Frank Owens in Washington street, was entirely destroyed by fire last week. Miss Pauline Conner is dangerously ill at the home of her parents in Tennessee street. Miss Carrie Stanfield has returned from an extended visit in Cleveland, O. Miss Jennie Fields, who has been visiting her sister in this city, left this week for her home in Greenville, Ky. R. H. McCutchen visited friends here last week. Rev. J. W. Hawkins has returned from a trip to the "Future Great." Mrs. Cannelia Barnes, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. W. Watkins for several weeks, left this week for her home. Misses Carrie Douglass, Arena and Mabel Hamilton, of St. Louis, and Mamie Harris, of Covington, Ky., will be guests of Misses Mai Price and Katie Menifee during the holiday. N. O. Emory made a brief visit to St. Louis last week. Misses Nora B. Watts, of Hopkinsville, and Eliza Howard, of Fulton, Ky., will be guests of Mrs. R. W. Williams during the holidays. Mrs. J. T. Cousins, of Epperson, was in the city last week. Little Miss Lessie Vysbro is convalescent after a brief illness. Miss Lee Stanfield has been ill several days with fever. The young people of the Freewill Baptist church gave a concert on the 17th. The Golden Leaf club will give a cantata one evening during the holidays. There will be a Christmas tree at the A. M. E. church on Christmas night. John Winfrey, of Marshall, was accidently shot last week by a brother. Don't fail to get a copy of the holiday number.

A Night Off with the Pythians.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—The Knights of Pythias of Chicago took a night off on the 13th, the occasion being the exemplifying of the Knight Rank of the order by Pythias lodge No. 2, an organized team exemplifying the work. Twenty candidates were changed as Knights amid scenes of splendor. After the ranks were conferred the members of Pythias lodge, with their guests, repaired to Hotel Stevens. Mr. Stevens, who conducts a swell cafe in connection with his hotel, was at his best, and had prepared a sumptuous banquet, serving all the delicacies the season afforded. At the conclusion of the banquet the following toasts were proposed by Major General R. R. Jackson, who acted as master of ceremonies: "Pythias Lodge No. 2," I. J. Miller, Chancellor Commander of Pythias Lodge No. 2; "The new Knights, what I think of them," Rev. A. L. Murray, B. D.; "The duty of a good Keeper of Records and Seal," Past Grand Chancellor George T. Kersey; "Pythianism, is it good for the soul?" Rev. Jordan Chavis; "The ladies," Past Grand Lecturer, G. M. Crissup; "Team Work, is it a success?" Allen A. Wesley, M. D., Grand Medical Director; "The medical profession, what it is doing for the order," Supreme Representative Edward S. Miller, M. D.; "Pythian Law," Supreme Attorney S. A. T. Watkins, Syracuse lodge No. 15; "The Grand Lodge," Grand Vice Chancellor Rev. J. M. Robinson. If a few of our Caucasian friends could have witnessed that assembly of massive brain and intellect that was gathered in the beautiful decorated cafe parlor of Sir Knight Stevens, they would see the wonderful progress we are making as entertainers. Mrs. Hannah Boyd, of Urbana, O., is in the city, the guest of her daughter. The holiday number of The Freeman will be a souvenir worth reading.

Swell Reception Tendered.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—The Masons gave a grand reception Friday evening to the members of the Eastern Star at their hall. Mrs. Laura Joyer is on the sick list. Mother Joyer is much improved. Isaac Worlds died on the 12th at his home in Thirteenth street. He leaves a wife and three children. Mrs. Lena Gardner had a tumor removed on the 9th. Louis Bowen, of Clinton, was in the city Sunday. The funeral of Isaac Worlds was preached by Rev. Isaac Thompson at Primative Baptist church.

Terse, Timely Topics.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Billy Richardson left on Thursday for Niles and Benton Harbor. Bennie Coleman returned last week from Michigan City. Frank Hammonds and Mrs. Sarah Carter were married on Thursday at the home of the bride. Mrs Lulu Kemp left Wednesday for Benton Harbor, where she will spend the winter with her sister. The Bazaar given Tuesday evening proved a success. John Taylor has returned from Chicago. An old time 'possum and turkey dinner will be given Christmas Eve day and a Christmas tree at night, at the Methodist church. The Baptists will have a tree Christmas night. Order a holiday number from our agent.

GREAT PREPARATION

IS BEING MADE FOR THE EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION.

MASS MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD

By Worthy Citizens to Place their Seal of Condemnation upon the Lawless Acts of the Worthless Class—Preparations to Entertain Little Folks.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—The Emancipation committee is actively at work on a program and Bethel A. M. E church and the auditorium of the city hall are being talked of by the promoters as suitable places to hold the demonstration. The citizens of Dallas have united on a general mass meeting to put a stop to some of the many evils that are being laid at the door of the race. With it they ask for Negro policemen to hunt down the evil doers. All the churches are preparing to give the little tots a merry Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. R. H Laws, of Bisbee, Ariz, accompanied by Miss Douglass, were here to attend the funeral of Billy Howard. We think it high time that some of the would-be society leaders were considering the importance of patronizing Negro enterprizes, and Negro hackmen when they have a funeral. The Freewill Baptists of this district held their quarterly meeting with Randell church on the 10th. Many delegates were in attendance and their reports showed marked improvement in the district. Mr. Benbow, Prof. Brooks, J. Jordan, E. C. Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, Johnson Bennett and many others of the N. O. Minstrel company call on The Freeman representative while filling an engagement in this city. H. J. Groce will organize a Roosevelt club among the K. of P.'s of St. Luke lodge No. 1, to raise funds for that body. T. W. Booth purchased four lots near the fair grounds this week. George Austin solicits a share of your trade. Harrison Robinson is in Hot Springs. Mrs. E. G. Williams is convalescing after an illness of several weeks. H. P. Porter is improving. When in the city call at 105 Central avenue and get The Freeman.

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Quarterly Meeting Services.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special—The first quarterly meeting for this conference year was held in Turner Chapel A. M. E. church last Sunday. Presiding Elder Sandy Simmons was present and conducted the services morning and afternoon. At 7:45 p. m. Rev. J. Webster Bailey, D. D., of the Plymouth Congregational church, preached a rousing sermon to a large congregation. The financial report for the quarter shows that $161.12 was raised by the stewards, and $133 by the trustees; making a total of $294.12. The amount of presiding elder's money raised Sunday was $32 01 Curtis M. Harris has opened business for himself. Chester Casey will visit in Marion for a few days. The Fellow Sweetly club met on the 12th and transacted business of importance. Chas. Dunham is visiting in Detroit. Mrs. E. C. McCullin, who has been the guest of Mrs. Wm. H. Smith, has returned to her home in Indianapolis. Mrs. Frank Crowder and daughter are guests of Mrs. Wm. H. Smith, 1313 Lafayette street. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bradshaw entertained the Owl club at their residence, in E. Wayne street, on the 2d. Refreshments were served in abundance.

Social and General News.

Lebanon, Ky., Special.—The children will have another penny gathering this afternoon. The Milestown school exhibition on the 13th was an enjoyable event. Prof. James Givens, of Louisville, has been stationed here as U. S. gauger. A joint meeting of the Sir Knights and Daughters next week to arrange for the reception of the C. G. M. Jan. 12th. Rev. William McElroy preached an able sermon at Zion church Sunday afternoon, after which communion was administered. There will be Christmas trees at the C. M. E. church Christmas Eve, and at Zion church Christmas night. Rev. Dr. Brown will preach at his church at 4 o'clock Christmas morning.

Pertinent Pick-ups.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special.—Miss Elizabeth Montgomery has been confined to her home for the past two weeks. Mrs. Anderson A. Fayette spent last week in Buffalo, the guest of Mrs. G. C. Smith.

Three Men and a Woman • • •

AN UP-TO-DATE CHRISTMAS STORY; BUILT UPON THE BOOK OF FACT.

By Augustus M. Hodges (B. Square)--Author of "Fred Jackson Vow," "Maid and Mistress." "Twos Not to Be," "A Step Mother's Story," "What Happened to Scott," Ect.

CHAPTER I.

THE THREE MEN AND THE WOMAN.

The time was the year of our Lord 1890, "the night before Christmas;" the place was New York City; the section was No. —— West Forty-ninth street, near Fifth avenue. The place was a "Raine's Law" hotel and ladies' cafe, a place, where "respectable" women (white of course) slipped in to have a drink during the day (or night) while their husbands were at work or business; in short, it was a guilded place of vice, "only this and nothing more"—a first class place of its kind.

The hour was 8 at night, while all outside was life and business; inside was dull and deserted. Christmas Eve, almost everybody in Greater New York over 10 years old can be found upon the streets until midnight, either buying Christmas presents or looking at others buy them

Inside of the "Admiral Cafe," as the back room of the hotel and bar room was called, marched up and down, a colored man, who the layman would call a plain waiter, but who considered himself (and was so registered) as night clerk and steward. He was of a dark brown complexion, little above the medium height, with unmistakable, but "fine" Negro features. His hair, which was of the three quarter blooded Negro grade, was cut short behind and long on top; it was well combed, brushed and oiled, and together with his faultless full dress suit made him look like a statesman, literary man or man of wealth, instead of—what he was.

As he walked the floor from one end to the other, he constantly looked at his gold watch. The echo of his steps resounded upon the marble-tiled "checker board" pattern of the floor. After walking up and down for an hour, he pulled out his watch and remarked to himself: "'Tis quarter to eight and she—"

Just then the street door opened and a pretty young white woman—a blonde—a picture for an artist to paint, entered the cafe—followed by a man below the average in size and mental looks. The colored waiter advanced towards the woman with an extended hand and smile upon his face She winked her eyes, placed her fore finger across her lips, and remarked in a cold, commanding tone: ' Waiter, give me a 'Bill of Fare' until I see what my husband and I will have for supper." (Great stress was placed—with a wise look—upon the words, "My husband!") The colored attendant put on a sober, business-like look and handed the woman a bill of fare. She looked over it a moment, passed it to her husband and without waiting for him to make his selection, said: "Waiter, give us two portions of 'Lobster-a-la-Newbeigh' and and a bottle of claret." The waiter (as we will hereafter, in this chapter, call the colored man) went to the rear of the cafe, where he yelled the order for the lobster down stairs to the cook. He then went to the bar room where he got the bottle of claret, which he served in the latest style. In a few minutes a colored kitchen attendant brought the lobster and "trimmings" up from the kitchen and turned them over to the waiter, who served the same in great style. He had just done so when the door opened and a stately old man entered. A screen behind the door prevented his seeing in the room.

"Hello Jerry! has that friend of mine—"

The colored waiter raised a warning hand, winked his eye and placed his finger over his lips. The old man took the hint and finished his sentence with: "That friend of mine, Mr. Hopkins, been here to-night?"

"No sir," was the reply.

The old man walked down the cafe and seated himself at a middle row table opposite the woman and her husband. He exchanged looks with the woman, but no one could tell from their looks that they had ever seen each other before. The old man ordered "a small bottle," and made it last until the woman and her husband were gone. A description of the old man is needful: He was a tall, soldierly looking man over six feet, with hair and mustache as white as snow; an ideal picture of the "Silver King" in that well known play bearing that name, or the mythical 'Kentucky Colonel," of whom the funny men of the newspapers write so many jokes about. He was dressed in spotless black, with a long Prince Albert coat and high hat, with a deep widower's band.

The waiter looked at his male guest from head to foot, then went to the mirror and looked at himself. It could be plainly seen that he concluded that he was the best and most attractive looking of the three men; and he was.

The woman and her husband having finished their supper, she remarked to him: "Wait, my dear, until I find out where the ladies' dressing room is and wash my hands and fix my hair.' Turning to the waiter, she asked: "Waiter, where is the ladies' dressing room?"

She was standing with her back toward both men, and she winked her eye and passed a note to the waiter as he was directing her to the dressing room she well knew.

A few minutes after she and her husband left the room, and the colored waiter hastened to read the note. It was printed, or written in capital letters with a pencil, and was in cipher. It read:

"Tell 'No. 2' to meet 'No 4' at Parker's restaurant at 10 o'clock, as 'No. 3' goes to Bridgeport in an hour Tell 'No. 1' to meet 'No. 4' at 1 o'clock at Thirty-third street and Sixth avenue. Have a cab. 'No. 4.'"

Immediately after reading the note, the waiter went over to the old man and said: "Ella says meet her at Parker's at 10 o'clock, Capt "

"Is that her husband?" asked the old man.

"That—is—her—husband," slowly replied the waiter, as he walked away to wait upon other patrons, as the place was beginning to fill up with night patrons. At half past twelve the waiter was "off duty," and after giving instructions to the man who took his place, he quickly put on his street clothes and hurried out to the corner of of Thirty-third street and Sixth avenue, where he hired a cab; soon after the woman came up to the corner. She and the waiter entered the cab and were driven, by the waiter's direction, to a house in West Sixteenth street, kept by a colored woman.

The three men and the woman, just spoken of, are the foundation of our story.

CHAPTER II.

THE 'WOMAN."

Mrs Ella Watson, whose maiden name was Forrester, was the granddaughter of one of the worst "nigger" hating slaveholders and rebels that South Carolina ever produced before the Civil war. She was born in C——, South Carolina, twenty-three years before our opening chapter. Her father was a drummer boy in the Confederate army, and her grandfather a general in the same "lost cause." She had from infancy been taught to hate the Negro and treat him as an inferior, and did so until she reached the age of reason and was a graduate from one of the leading high schools for "F. F. V." young ladies in the mother state of Virginia. The kindness of a male Negro servant, during her last year at the Virginia high school, convinced Ella Forrester that "niggers" were not as black as her people had painted them; that they were human beings like the whites; that they did not make or select their race or color; that their color and birth place (like her own) were the accidents of nature or fate She at once resolved to treat Negro people as well as she did white people in the same walks of life.

Like all progressive, educated American young women, she did her own thinking, and often wished that the accident of birth had placed her north of the "Mason and Dixon's line," as the granddaughter of a private Union Civil war soldier, instead of the granddaughter of a Confederate general. She visited an uncle residing in Boston, and noticed the vast progressive difference between the old North and the 'New South,'' and resolved to make the progressive North her home. Her folks would not agree to this, so she, with a faithful Negro maid, ran away from the God-forsaken state of South Carolina to that portion of "God's country" known as New York City, three years before our opening chapter. Her education secured for her a position as book keeper in one of the leading dry goods stores in Greater New York. After she had been with the firm for one year; after she had become a full fledged New York girl; after she had learned its faults and its fashions, its sins and its pleasures; after she had concluded that she could not exist outside of Greater New York, the firm in which she was employed, failed, and she found herself without a penny. She "knew the ropes" by this time, and concluded to get married, as a married woman's certificate (in New York City) covers a multitude of sins, so she took unto herself a husband (?).

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Indian Territory News.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, Special.—Muskogee is the metropolis of the Indian Territory. We have eight colored churches, six of these are well organized—three Baptist, three Methodist churches, one A. M. E., one C. M E. and one M. E. The A. M. E church is solid brick 60x40, with two wings 20x12 each, a vestibule 48 feet square. This is a modern building in all its styles. The C. M. E. church is also a nice and cozy building just completed. Bishop Cottrell held conference in this church in November. The Baptist churches are all frame buildings. There are two other organizations without churches. So you see we have took God for our first partner that our city might have a sure foundation. We have not neglected the business part of life. We are seizing every opportunity by its forelock; have fourteen business houses, half a dozen restaurants, four good two-story boarding houses, owned and run by our people, two others owned by men of our race and rented to white people. A majority of the people who have been here as long as three years own their homes. The land for miles around this beautiful little city is owned by our people, and thousands are coming in from Texas, Arkansas and other surrounding States. Now is the time for our people to come to the "Land of the Free" and cast their lots with brethren that have land to spare. We have a good public school system in this little city. The colleges, high school and missions are quite a credit to our town. One can stand on the hill in the northern part of town and see eight of these schools. Three missions are conducted by the nation for the colored people of the Creek Nation, one by the Baptist church, one by the A. M. E., one by the South Methodist, one by the Presbyterians and one by the white Baptist—all have a hand in the welfare of our city. The lawyers are not left out. We have five lawyers and two very efficient doctors, both of whom have large practice. Preachers and teachers grow here without being planted.

THE WAITER....

Waiters Seek Higher Wages.

The following article appeared in the Chicago American recently, and we publish it for what it is worth:

New Year's Day threatens to usher in one of the most annoying strikes that the citizens of Chicago who board in clubs, hotels or restaurants have ever experienced. There will be nothing to eat that day unless the stewards, landlords or restaurant keepers make their peace with the Waiters' Union, which has issued an edict that, beginning Jan. 1, not a member will work unless the scale of wages just adopted is paid.

Those who are arranging for banquets must also see the waiter before New Year's night, as the new scale of wages covers the work done at such affairs by the members of the union.

WORK OF ORGANIZATION PROCEEDING

There are 5,000 white men waiters in Chicago and 2,006 colored. There are over 3,000 in the union now, and the work of organizing the colored men will begin next week by Organizer John Fitzpatrick of the Federation of Labor.

The waitresses are being organized rapidly, over 2 000 having paid their initiation fee, But the scale of wages which will go into effect January 1 is only for the men waiters, and is as follows:

SCALE WHICH HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

Steady work, seven days	$10 00
Steady work, six days	9 00
Dinner and supper waiters, seven days	7 00
Short watch men per day	1 25
Dinner men, minimum	75
Hotels, per month, with board	25 00
Clubs, per month, with board	50 00
Percentage scale, 24-hour checks	1 00
Extra work, 10 hour day	3 50
Banquets—Waiter in full dress, set and clean table	3 50
Same, in black jackets	2 50
Banquets—In full dress, but quitting after serving coffee	2 50
Same, in black jackets	2 00

Waiters will do no porter work. Where white jackets and aprons are used they must be furnished by employers free of charge.

Officers of the union are initiating from fifty to one hundred new members daily at the headquarters, 155 Randolph street. Before January 1 they have assurances that 90 per cent of the white and colored waiters will be in the union, and that not a man will work after that date unless paid the scale. The hotel and restaurant keepers are worried over the threatened strike, which it is believed will be as disastrous to the employers as the walkout in San Francisco last summer In that city 1,400 waiters were on strike several months, and many eating places were forced out of business.

As stated in our last issue, Mr. J. B. Goins, author of the "American Colored Waiter," has gone to Omaha, Neb., where he becomes chief headwaiter and caterer for the Pacific Hotel Company, operating the Millard hotel, railroad eating houses and a large catering business J. B. always has a surprise up his sleeve

Henry Feltenburg, late headwaiter at the Worth hotel, Fort Worth, Texas, where he succeeded Mr. Swift, a white headwaiter, has been appointed headwaiter at the Inn, Shreveport, La.

W. E. Tucker, formerly headwaiter at the Albion hotel, Augusta, Ga., has been engaged as second waiter by Capt. Thos. H. Frazier at the Chittenden hotel, Columbus, O.

Don't miss the great Christmas number of The Freeman which will positively appear Dec. 27 with its great display of Negro talent. Watch the date, December 27.

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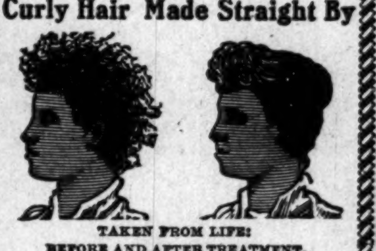

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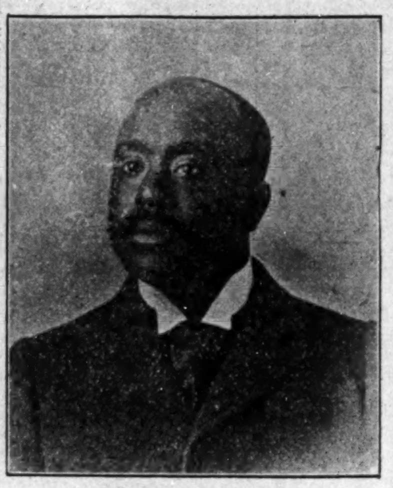
BILL OF FARE

We do not place much credit in the report that there will be a general strike among the white and colored waiters in Chicago on New Year's day. The report that the colored waiters are joining the union by the wholesale is not true. The colored waiters of Chicago was led into a strike by a few white scheming union men in 1890, in which they lost all and gained nothing. In fact they fell victims of the white waiters, who encouraged, coaxed and ordered them to strike and then would fill their places with white waiters. Just ask any of the veterans of the strike of 1890, about how Pomeroy and other white union men fleeced them. Up to the strike of 1890 colored waiters were employed in Kinsley's restaurant, which at that time, as well as now, was the best thing in Chicago, and this was well known by the white waiters; therefore they lured the colored waiters into the union and then compelled them to strike, and as the colored boys were going out one door the white boys, who encouraged them to strike, came in the other door. Mr. Kinsley, who had always treated the colored waiters right, begged them not to go out on a strike, and, when they were leaving, swore that colored waiters should never be employed in his restaurant again and he and his managers have kept their pledge. A few of the many colored employes who did not go out on a strike were given a life-time position, and to-day they can be seen in and around Kinsleys. The eyes of many of the old waiters fills with tears now when they pass the old stand.



PRESTON L. MOREHEAD.

The subject of this sketch is Preston L. Morehead, who is at present headwaiter at the Carlsbad of America, the new West Baden Springs Hotel, West Baden, Ind., who recently succeeded John B. Goins, author of the "American Colored Waiter." From among the many noted and competent men Mr. Morehead was selected for the position by Mr. Lee W. Sinclair, a man of unlimited experience in the hotel business, who is at present president of the West Baden Spring Hotel Company. Mr. Morehead was selected for the position he now occupies because of his adequateness He is a close observer and is indeed minutely perceptible in his position. He is highly commended by the guest of said hotel because of his befitting qualities. He has had many years of experience in the culinary department, and possesses a thorough knowledge of dining room service. He merits the consideration and esteem of the public and press because of his honesty, sobriety, zeal, promptness and very keen interest displayed by him in his position. He is a man of broad thought and intellect, and is in every particular thoroughly competent for such a position. As a first-class headwaiter he is a genius.

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3. That no waiter shall eat anything during the time he is on watch.
4. No waiter shall chew tobacco during the time he is on watch.
5. When carrying out dishes, separate butter chips and creamers from other dishes, placing them on scrap table by themselves when unloading tray.
6. Waiters must not carry more cream in the dining room than necessary. One pitcher for coffee, and not more than two for oatmeal and shredded wheat biscuit.
7. Waiters, when coming to the kitchen to have their orders filled, should always give their meat order when they first come out. thereby preventing delay. Give order to cook plainly so there may be no mistake
8. Waiters are expected to treat each other fairly and not to take one another's dishes, eggs out of boiler, or in any way interfere with each other
9. Waiters are expected always to give cook to understand when they are ordering meals meant for themselves.

It is expected that these rules will be observed strictly by all waiters without any further notice.

I have watched your work with intense interest, and must say your success as a writer upon the subject of waiting is an assured fact. The book is undoubtedly an expensive, artistic production, concisely written and accurately illustrated. It will, without doubt, find its way into the hands of the most progressive waiters, headwaiters and caterers throughout this country. I do sincerely wish you your much merited success in the successful sale of many thousand copies.—E. T. Montgomery, Headwaiter Pan-American Exposition.

Waiters are very scarce in Bloomington and Peoria, Ill. Any waiter desiring to locate in a town where he would have the faculty of knowing that hotel owners beg them to work should go to Peoria, Ill. Both the National and Fey hotels are wanting waiters. Salary $20 per month.

Judging from the statement of the minutes George W. Chivis, publisher of the "Waiters' and Railroad Porters' Magazine" at Philadelphia, Pa., did not favorably impress the members of the Head and Second Waiters' Convention in his address to that body while in Washington, D.C. As a mild reminder we would also like to call Mr. Chivis' attention to the fact that his magazine has been publishing articles which appeared in these columns without giving us credit for same.

I have not been able to follow up your American Waiter. As I did, however, I am much pleased with it, so far as I have seen, and believe that it fills a long felt want. It is indeed very instructive and will no doubt sell very fast. The illustrations are good and add much to the beauty and value of the work. Every waiter that works for me will have to have a copy of the American Waiter as part of his costume.—W. Forrest Cozart, Headwaiter Hot Sulphur Wells Hotel, San Antonia, Texas.

W. H. Owen formerly headwaiter in the Coats house cafe, Kansas City, Mo., and late headwaiter at the Savoy in that city, has been installed as headwaiter at the Midland hotel, The Midland and Baltimore hotels are both conducted by Mr. J. H Dean. Mr. Owen is highly spoken of by the waiters who have worked for him heretofore, and we wish him continued success at the Midland.

"The American Colored Waiter," copyrighted by John B. Goins, a colored instructor in dining room service, and published by John Willy, Chicago, the well known publisher of hotel books, has been received at this office. The book is pocket size, contains 94 pages, is bound in flexible leather and sells at $1 per copy.—The Los Angeles Hotel Gazette.

J. H. Holman is making quite a success at the Nelson house, Rockford, Ill. Mr. Holman received his training at the Grand hotel, Indianapolis, Ind, under that "grand old man," the late W. F. Martin.

There is no rubbing the fact out. Colored waiters will have to make new resolutions and take a new start if they are to hold their own against the white girl and men waiters.

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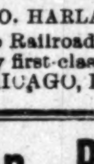

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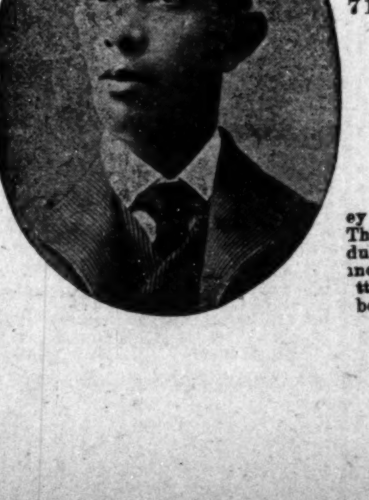

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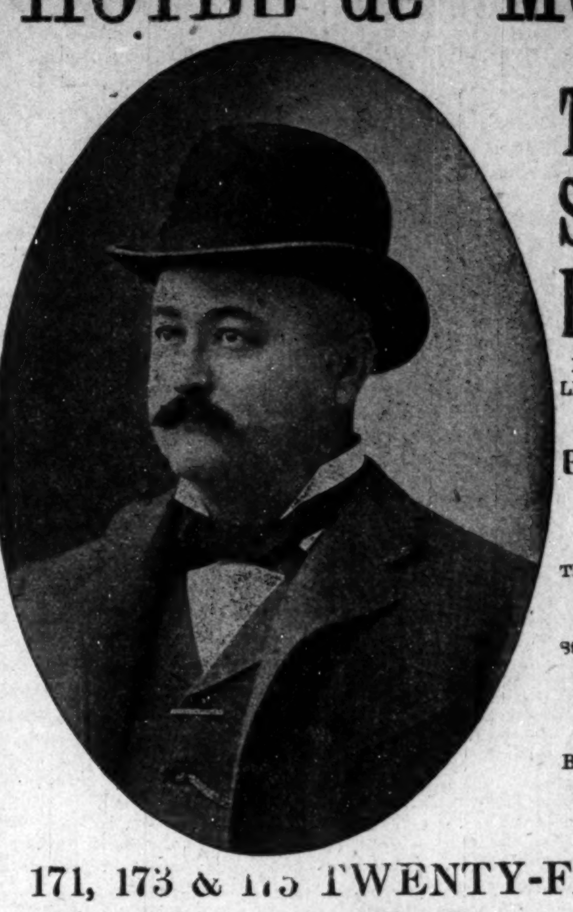

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SATURDAY, DEC, 20, 1902

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND SPEAKS.

At Philadelphia, last week, ex-President Cleveland presided at an educational meeting, at which time he made some pleasing references to the colored people. The colored people of the country have had a very good opinion of Mr. Cleveland, although he is not on record as saying anything in their behalf beyond a casual observation; no particular stand. Notwithstanding that his wholemindedness on most all public questions and his non-partisan political attitude in the main had the tendency to fix Mr. Cleveland in the minds of the colored people as not an enemy, at least. All see now what manner of man he is, nor will we believe that he is actuated by any other than pure philanthropical motives, with the good of his country in mind; he has no axes to grind. Mr. Cleveland says:

"I am impressed with the importance of this occasion. It is absolutely certain that everywhere in this broad land good people should be keenly alive to their duty and interest as related to the colored men, women, youth and children who constitute a factor, large or small, in the population of every community. It is foolish for us to blind our eyes to the fact that more should be done to improve the condition of our Negro population; and it should be entirely plain to all of us that the sooner this is undertaken the sooner will a serious duty be discharged and the more securely will we guard ourselves against future trouble and danger Our colored people have been supplied with a measure of public school privileges, even though in this they have been at a disadvantage compared with their white neighbors.

"We will not fail to estimate at its true value what has thus been accomplished; nor will we fail to appreciate the importance of continued and increasing effort in extending to this class of our citizens opportunities for ordinary school education.

"No one who has given the subject deliberate thought can doubt that, if we are to be just and fair towards our colored fellow-citizens, and if they are to be more completely made self-respecting, useful and safe members of our body politic, they must be taught to do something more than to hew wood and draw water. The way must be opened for them to engage in something better than menial service, and their interests must be aroused to rewards of intelligent occupation and careful thrift"

He thinks, further, that the exigency can only be adequately met through the instrumentality of well equipped manual training and industrial schools.

He has delivered a very pretty speech and we take it that the colored people and the people generally will hold him in greater esteem than ever.

We said in the beginning that the ex-President had uttered no policy as it concerns the colored people, but it can be said that he went further, in a sense, by appointing colored men to good positions. He was fought by either party in the confirmation, but true to his sense of right and more to his bull-dog tenacity he saw that they staid "put."

INDIANA AVENUE.

The police department has been showing its hand on Indiana avenue to advantage Half grown and full grown men should be at work instead of lolling about on the streets. It is true enough that employment of a kind cannot be found for all, but many more can work than do The law, the moral law, is—"those who do not work shall not eat." By hook or crook all manage to eat in face of the law. The law is the same, nevertheless, and its infraction makes it no less binding Beyond the moral side of providing for one's self and supporting those depending on him comes the ever present and all engrossing race question, which demands circumspection on the part of each individual Every colored man should feel that it is his business to act in such away as not to merit disrespect at least. This does not mean subserviency to any white man or sets of them; it does mean the best for the race regardless of the onlookers whose eyes are as often strained to see bad as they are to see good. There is a tendency in recent years to criminalize the Negroes—make them all appear bad. They have their scoundrels and black-legs just like the scoundrelly whites, and the police department is to be congratulated for trying to clean them all out.

The Dudley matter seems to be dragging along at this time. Public opinion is nearly equally divided as to whether he should retain his office. The good old time lawyer, the literary society kind, would say: "Gentlemen of the jury, I trust you will render your decision according to the facts and evidence produced and not according to your fancy." The same now holds good. The colored folks can no more afford to have a government by prejudice than can the whites. To assert an insist on a verdict either way without being intimately acquainted with the circumstances is nothing more nor less than prejudice, and has the tendency to subvert the broader doctrine of the right of trial by jury, which does not mean lextalionis.

If the colored people as a unit insist on Dudley's resignation, that unit will simply signify so much solid prejudice which will act as a boomerang some other day. An eye for an eye, or a tooth for a tooth doctrine is good enough to govern a very limited society—two people at the most—but such a doctrine will not do for the many, and most especially when we are insisting on just such treatment; trial by jury or by court, its substitute.

The sheriff, Dudley, was either implicated in the mobbing of Dillard or he was not. The blood thicker and water theory inclines one to believe, owing to prejudice, that he did not do over time at rescuing Dillard. But that is just the point. Our beliefs, suspicions and prejudices have nothing to do with the case, in just the same manner the beliefs, suspicions and prejudices of the charge of rape against Dillard had nothing to do with his case. The courts in either instance! Let them stand investigation in either instance, and not pit prejudice against prejudice in the interest of eternal warfare! Whatever mobs may do, they at least cannot destroy the theory of trial by the courts. Nor are we to try to think it away in the attempt to retaliate. The infraction of the law, the rape of the law, does not mean its annihilation. It is with us to preserve the law's import in the one case if not the other. Justice and not retaliation is the cry.

Great Britain and Germany are making a great demonstration in front of the little republic of Venezuela, but it now appears as though it will end there. Those two great powers, it may be presumed, are merely contending for a principle recognized in international polity, that nations cannot repudiate their just debts. Venezuela owes Great Britain and Germany, and it appears that President Castro of Venezuela has been inclined to ignore it. It is probable that those countries know the poor condition of Venezuela, and could easily forego what was due them as nations, but perhaps do not care to establish a precedence. From all accounts Castro has not acted with the best judgment as it concerns those great powers; he has fairly repudiated the country's obligations; those countries will not stand for it. Great Britain and Germany can gain but very little, if anything, beyond the maintaining of their principles They, according to our Monroe Doctrine, cannot take possession of the country, but for a limited time—until the debt is paid or adjusted. Europe has never thought well of the Monroe business, and it is very well known that it chafes under the Americans' restraint. The doctrine is no law nor is it necessary to obey it, yet it has become as a law by custom and usage, and this country would make it exceedingly warm for those that said nay.

"B. Square" has in this issue a somewhat breezy story. We hope the end will justify the means. Mr Hodges, the writer, of New York, needs no teaching along the lines of story telling; he has been in the business before. But it will not be amiss to suggest that he make his moral as strong as his story. There are books and stories that teach so much as the tale progresses, that the end has too much work to do to bring about the results expected.

Manufactures now form one-third of the exports from the United States, a larger proportion than in any preceding year. The figures of the Bureau of Statistics for the ten months of the year for which data are now complete show that manufactures formed during that period 32.61 per cent of the total exports of the country, while the highest percentage in any preceding fiscal year was that of 1900, in which the exports of manufactures formed 31 65 per cent of the total exports. In no other fiscal year have manufactures formed as much as thirty per cent of the total exports.

The figures of the ten months now available indicate that the total exports of manufactures during the calendar year 1902 will reach about 415 million dollars, or more than in any preceding fiscal year, save in the exceptional year 1900, when the total was 433 millions.

The Bureau of Statistics has prepared a statement which for the first time shows the exports of manufactures in each year from 1790 down to date. During the first half of the past century the share which manufactures formed of the total exports was small, ranging from 7.8 per cent in 1800 to 11.8 per cent in 1825, 13 per cent in 1850 and 12 7 per cent in 1860. Since that date there has been a marked upward tendency in the percentage which manufactures form of the total exports In 1863 they formed 16.1 per cent of the total exports, in 1864, 17 8 per cent, in 1871, 17.3 per cent From 1871 to 1891 the percentage which manufactures formed of the total exports did not materially change. In 1891 they formed 19 3 per cent of the total exports, in 1894, 21 1 per cent, in 1895, 23 1 per cent in 1896 26 8 per cent, in 1899, 28 2 per in 1900, 31 6 per cent, and in the ten months of the calendar year 1902 have formed 32 61 per cent of the total exports. The total value of the manufactures exported in 1800 was only 2½ million dollars, and never reached as much as 10 millions prior to 1840 From that time it has rapidly moved forward, being 17 millions in 1860, 25 millions in 1854, 40 millions in 1860, 68 millions in 1870, and in 1877 for the first time crossed the 100 million dollar line. It was not until 1896 that the total exportation of manufactures reached 200 million dollars per annum, but in 1899 it exceeded 300 millions, in 1900 exceeded 400 millions, and has so continued above 400 millions since that date.

One feature of the exportation of manufactures which is especially interesting and important is the large proportion of manufactures which find a market in the chief manufacturing countries of the world. A statement prepared by the Bureau of Statistics shows that more than one-half of the manufactures exported from the United States now go to Europe, the great manufacturing section of the world, and that about one-fourth of the total exports of manufactures go to North America, the other fourth being about equally distributed between South America, Asia, Oceania and Africa. Five great articles form the bulk of the exportations of manufactures from the United States to Europe—copper, mineral oil, iron and steel manufactures, leather and agricultural implements. The annual exportation of copper, mineral oil and iron and steel manufactures each exceeds 40 million dollars, while that of leather exceeds 20 millions, and agricultural implements over 10 millions.

NOTICE.

Any information as to the whereabouts of Walter Howard, who was last heard of as a soldier in the regular army, will be gladly received by his brother, Edward Howard, 220 Fourth street, Milwaukee, Wis Walter Howard is the son of Wm and Mary Howard, Winchester, Va. Age about 59 years; dark brown complexion; hair almost straight. All ministers who may read this notice are humbly requested to make inquiries among their congregations. There are property interests which cannot be settled without said party is located.

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Sylvester Russell states that he is not trying to force the legitimate standard. The word "not" was omitted in his review of the "Smart Set."

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John Eason is making a big hit in St. Louis, playing Scott Joplin's ragtime two steps Eason says, Joplin is certainly the king of ragtime writers.

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Scott Joplin sends regards to P. G Lowery, Grant Miner, R. O Henderson and all lovers of his music. Mr. Joplin is writing an opera in ragtime to be staged next season.

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Kid Alston sends regards to the Henderson's and will spend Christmas at his home, with his two sisters, in Columbia S. C. This will be the first Xmas spent there in 14 years.

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Notes from the Old Plantation, with the Southern Carnival Co:—This leaves us all well and in the garden spot of the world, California. Business remains way above the average. Mrs. Douglass Banks Jones sends regards to all Cincinnati friends. We have a week's vacation in Santa Barbara Xmas week Bob Henderson received his tuba and new case this week and it is surely a thing of beauty. He promises great things now. The Hendersons send regards to Joe and Lulu Russell. Chas. Holman sends regards to all Cleveland and St. Louis friends. Punch Jones sends regards to all Chicago friends.

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David Smith wrrites that he is with the Original Southern Quartette and they are making good. Regards to all friends. Would like to hear from Ernest Hogan and Tom Logan. Davis & DeHearde are the pride of San Francisco and will be East on or about Jan. 15. They also send regards to friends and Mr. Davis sends special regards to his cousin Ernest Hogan.

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Ritchie and Francis on Friday evening, Dec. 12 staged the colored minstrel, vaudeville and cake walk entertainment for the waiters of the St Mark hotel, Brooklyn. Among those on the program, were The Robinsons, Miss Eva LaRose and Wm. Johnson, late of the P. G. Lowery concert company, Miss Carrie Francis, John H. Smith, Billy Ritchie and Prof. Wm, Hamer, musical director. The winner of the first prize and the cake was Master Buddie Gilmore and lady.

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Notes from the McCarver, Reed and McCarver company, 'A Honolulu Coon': We closed our show at Vandalia Mo, for four days and some of the boys and girls took a flying trip to Chicago. All have returned and report a pleasant trip. We have added a few more new people. We show through Illinois and then go South for the balance of the season. Walter Hilliard our tenor is making a big hit. The Crosbys are still scoring nightly. Mamie Clemons, our prima donna is quite a feature with our Co. E. M. Owsley is still receiving his share of applause. Lillian Garay left the show a week ago. She was very sick but is much improved and will join the show soon. We miss her greatly. McCarver, Reed & McCarver are still holding their own. They will be seen in a new show next season, under a new management. Howard McCarver sends regards to Sylvester Russell.

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Notes from the Buckingham Theatre, Tampa Fla.:—This week we have a big show, with 26 people on the stage. Among them are Pauline Cottrell with her clever coon songs; Happy Howe, the funny fellow; Cliff Brooks, Will Goff Kennedy, Geo. McDaniels, Ada Harris, Laura Logan, Lizzie Roberts, Petit Marie, Pearl Wyatt and the Buckingham Stock company. We do the business for we have the show and the people. This is the only concert hall or theatre in the State that employs a brass band and full orchestra. Next week's attractions are Bradley and Leach, The Watts, Hatch & Hatch and Hattie Crawford. Mr. Pat Chappelle is busy arranging for his road show which will have an entire new outfit; canvass, cars, uniforms etc. His celebrated company "A Rabbit's Foot" will be well represented in The Freeman's Xmas issue.

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Jno. W. Dennis writes from the Domino Theatre, Fernandino, Fla:—Chas. Williams, slack wire artist and hand balancer, closed Saturday night to take a rest and enjoy the holidays Scott and Johnson, late of the Grand Palace Theatre, Savannah Ga., opened here Monday night. Mrs. Scott is one of the most clever soubrettes of her race and is taking curtain calls nightly. Miss Carrie Hall is featuring 'Im Sorry Babe" with success. Miss Stella Jones comes in for a great share of the applause, rendering, "Golden Dawn." Miss Lillie Wheeler an artist of rare merit is introducing, "Maid Sweet Maid. 'The City of Sighs and Tears" rendered by Miss Minnie Carroll has won the laurels and praise nightly. Jas. Scott as an actor makes good. Last but not least, Jno. W. Dennis prime minister of sable monologists is delivering the goods and gives the people what they want, therefore he is taking four or five encores nightly. Miss Jes-Thomas, male impersonator has a fine collection of music and it featuring "If Ever I get Back to Tennessee." Dorsey & Foster have some new music and they know how to handle it with ease A Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to all.

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Wm. Benbow writes from Allen's Minstrels:—We are all well and business is up to the S. R. O. standard. We are preparing to leave the Lone Star State. We break the record for one night stands with the 800 mile jump we are soon to make. We showed two nights in Dallas, Mr. E. C. Pittman's home and while there we were royally entertained by Mr. Pittman's parents and sisters. Mr. Jas. Fernando spent all his leisure time with his betrothed, Miss Flora Nelson He was told that love was but an "Idle Dream" He says if that's the case, "Please go way and let him sleep." Jas. Wise our leading comedian is on the sick list H. S. Smith, old man impersonator keeps them laughing. "Fattie" Cook has recovered his time honored instrument which was stolen in Argenta, Ark. Sam Johnson says to R. O. Henderson that his prophesy has come true. An O'fay made him "clean up" in Cooper, Tex. We are puzzled to know why Fred Garland hasn't had his usual race in Texas. The Acme Quartette, Hi H. Hunt and all friends send regards to Williams & Stevens Ed. Stafford sends regards to Jno. Tolliver. Miss Hattie Beecham is making good. Wm. Newman is on the circuit. Benbow & Simms says Perry Bradford should have copped an overcoat while at the plantation.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—We are still touring Iowa and doing good business notwithstanding the hard weather we have had. Our company is healthy and looking fine. G. W. Housely has purchased a fine gold cornet from Henry Distin Co., of Williamsport, Pa. It is of the best grade, costing $125, and is a valuable addition to the band. John E Jackson who is now using a Higham trombone is expecting a first-class "Bessom" Chicago bore, from Carl Fisher in New York City. G. W. Housely would like to hear from the "A Honolulu Coon" company. Our entire company is highly interrested in our Xmas ball to be given in Des Moines, and called the 'Ugly Men's ball, of the Georgia Minstrel Co. Music by their own orchestra. There will be prizes for the ugliest men belonging to the profession. We hope to meet many professional people there. The ball is open to the entire city of Des Moines. There is an ugly man's club there and it is thought, by the major portion of our company, that its president will win without a struggle. One or two members of the club think they have him bested on feet but when it comes to legs it will take an expert juryman to handle their case satisfactorially for they are all bow legged. Well, the whole thing will be decided Xmas night: Companies playing close to Des Moines will do well to run over after their show as everything will be aglow when you arrive. The affair is being backed by the entire company from the manager, T. J. Culligan down.

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Palace Theatre, Savannah Ga., notes: "Departing from custom, we propose giving for our Christmas' bill, the beautiful cantata, "Queen Ester" and anticipate larger crowds of the better element than have heretofore favored us. Tenia Mizzelle sings coon songs as they should be rendered and is given an ovation nightly. Webster Williams has proven his claim as a comedian that can "comeed" and is always certain of an encore. Kitty Brown (you all know Kitty) opened Monday night and made an emphatic hit. She sends regards to all professionals. Vida Vaugh—Devine is a pronounced favorite here and her pleasing, yet sincere method of working is highly appreciated by audience and management. Ruth Spain our pleasing and accomplished balladist is the recipient of generous applause at every performance. Mossa Mann, the Gretchie bone soloist is still on deck. Henry Black, the head balancer, is scoring heavily in a real novelty act. Tom Logan is here, there and everywhere and seems peculiarly adapted to the arduous position of manager actor. Kid Alston has gone and Oh, how we miss Mr. Kid. Manager Tom Logan wants to hear from several lady performers who are tired dodging the cold and snow "up North." Tom Logan sends regards to the Hendersons, Al and Mamie Holman, Chas. and Nellie Small, Frazier & Peterson. Davis and DeHeard, the Yeagers, Wiley and Dancy, the Brittons, Henry Troy and Dennis, Foster and Dorsey.

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Notes from Chicago:—Have you heard the latest? Ask Spiller, of the team of Bailey & Spiller. Congratulations are in order—Daddy Love never appeared more happy than he did at the benefit at Quinn Chaple. He and "Happy Hooligan" ran a race for honors, he being the victor.—Williams & Stevens, sketch artists are in the city. They open Peter's vaudeville theatre. Mr. Williams has decided to take the management. He sends regards their many friends and would like to hear from stage people in all branches. Address C. H. Williams, 2401 State st.—Prof. S. D. Howard is soon to make a tour of the continent, accompanied by his wife. As a violinist he is in demand. Will Cole, late of the Hottest Coon in Dixie company has returned home, owing to sickness.—Prof. John Love, of San Francisco, Cal., brother of our esteemed friend, Daddy Love, is in the city and is cleaning things up. He is an artist on the piano, guitar and mandolin and the ladies are all stuck on his finger movement which is wonderful. Wm. Gregg was called to Kansas City upon important business professionally. The premier entertainers and comedians upon the American stage to-day are none other than Williams & Walker. They opened with a Matinee Sunday afternoon, in their new play "In Dahomey." Bert Williams gets funnier and funnier eveey year. They are playing to S. R O everywhere they go, and at the Great Northern Theatre this city, the S R O sign was put out out before the curtain raised. They are the only box office attraction that is reliable at all times, barring none. The staging of the play is fine, the costuming is magnificent and the support is above the ordinary. With a few exceptions the personnal of the company was about the same. In all stages and pursuits of life, criticism is due, but to my opinion, the play "In Dahomey is the best they have ever produced Upon their return date we will have more to say about them.—Billy Caldwell is the headliner this week at the Clark street Musee and is taking the house by storm. Watch for his latest song hit of the season.—Tommie Lewis has joined Gideon's Minstrel Co.—Don't forget to send in your write ups and half tones for the Holiday number in time, for you know you don't want to be left out.

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To the Senator.

Dear Sir:—With apologies to "Woodbine" (the stage editor) I desire to state that I saw the necessity of having an actor's fund two years ago and made mention of it in these columns. I also have a statement now lying in The Freeman office, regarding this proposition, which is to appear in the Holiday issue. But your advice does not appeal to actors because of its defects. You must remember we have a very intelligent element of actors now. I have already criticised people outside of the profession for just such weaknesses as yours. Note your weakness:

Your mention of Clarence Powell for president is something for actors to laugh at—they laugh at you. Mr. Powell does not thank you for that.

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SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

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To The Profession.

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Up-to-Date Apple Growing.

Apple orcharding is one of the modern farming industries. Until within the last few years apples were raised in a small way by farmers all over the country, but in general this was for home or local consumption. Little attention was paid to the crop and no one thought of devoting his entire time and lands to it as a staple crop. Yet conditions have so changed now that there are many orchards in the West and middle West, where all farming operations are done on a magnificent scale, which cover not hundreds but thousands of acres, the receipts from which compare favorably with those of some of the moderate-sized industrial corporations of the day. In the meantime the demand for apples has increased in proportion. Time was when the apple was a luxury, now it is a staple article of food with a large part of the American population. Owing to the extensive display of the Department of Agriculture at the Paris exposition, continental Europe has been educated to the American apple and the export demand has markedly increased resulting in valuable new markets for this, the "king of fruits."

Mr. G. B. Brackett, pomologist of the government makes the statement that, "no other fruit brings so sure a return to the grower in proportion to time and money expended upon its production." In conjunction with the wide range of climate and diversified soil conditions under which some one of the great variety of commercial types may be grown the cause of the sudden rise into prominence of the apple as a specialized crop is apparent.

Planting may be done with nursery stock from one to two years old, and in three or four years the trees are bearing. The trees continue in profitable bearing condition for a lifetime. At forty years of age a Baldwin tree in Monroe county, New York, produced eighteen barrels selling at $3 a barrel. The original McIntosh apple tree—a variety that is making steady gains owing to its intrinsic merit—is still standing at Dundela, Ont., and is more than a century old. With a comparatively safe over-wintering perennial orchard that will last a life-time, and with a crop that can hardly be called perishable and a good market at a fair price for all offerings it is small wonder that capitalists are going into apple culture in a wholesale manner. The chief sections where this innovation has been made are in Missouri, northern Arkansas, known as the Ozark region, and the elevated portions of North Carolina and Virginia, where similar conditions exist. The New England, middle and some of the Western States are especially favorable for producing fine crops of this fruit of the highest quality, and certain sections of Idaho, Colorado, Oregon and Washington are rapidly coming to the front in successful orcharding.

One of the most noticeable features of the modern apple orchard is in the shape of the trees as the result of careful and systematic pruning. This is done partly for the purpose of protecting the tree from injury, partly to make picking easy and partly to give light and air to the branches, so that they may produce fruitful crops. In the West a goblet form is very much in vogue while elsewhere the pyramidal form is popular while in still other sections a modified form of these two gives a round symetrical shape. Formerly from four to five feet in height was considered the common practice of train-apple trees but two to three feet is now considered the proper height for the top or head of the tree.

Packing the fruit for market has also undergone considerable change in recent years. The standard barrel still so prevalent in Eastern markets is being displaced in the West by a box package. This measures about ten inches high, eleven inches wide and twenty-one inches long, holding about one bushel. Of course all apples are hand-picked and sorted and the better grades are practically free from blemishes of any kind. Popular taste runs to a rather large apple, well colored, preferably red and shapely in form.

As in all modern industries the by-products of commercial apple orcharding play an important part in the profits. All the culls and bruised fruit are either sold to evaporating and canning establishments or to cider makers, or worked up into these products themselves on the place where the orchards are of sufficient size to warrant the special machinery required. In some instances the by-products of the orchard have been known to exceed in value returned the receipts from the main crop.

Some Colorado Farms.

To the Easterner, used to his garden bed of peas a few feet square, the idea of growing this product in beds of 2,500 acres and of harvesting and threshing peas like so much wheat is a revelation. The West just now holds in store many such agricultural surprises for those from a distance.

In Longmont, Col., the land is prepared for peas just as it for wheat. The regular wheat drills are used in sowing peas. Two rows of peas are sowed and then a space equal to that occupied by two rows is skipped, thus leaving 21 inches between the rows for irrigation purposes. When the pea vines become large enough to cultivate a corn cultivator is used in throwing earth up to them; when five to six inches in height a furrow is made between the rows for water brought to the head of the rows in the highest part of the field by a broad ditch.

At the harvesting of peas all are mowed down by a cutter which runs just beneath the ground. Then the hayracks arrive and great loads of peas on the vines are hauled to the nearby canning factory and are ready for the threshing operation. This is done by means of machines constructed especially for this purpose.

When the peas have been shelled by means of these machines they next are put through the grading machines which sort out the different sizes. The filling of the cans is accomplished by means of machinery. Each machine fills twelve cans at one time. At the factory at Longmont 40,000 cans are filled in a day.

Longmont boasts further of the largest asparagus bed in the world. This bed comprises 120 acres and contains three-fourths of a million plants. The rows are about six feet apart and the plants are twelve to fifteen inches apart in the rows. The demand for asparagus is greater than the supply.

One more agricultural novelty in Colorado is an eighty acre currant patch. As far as is known this is the largest currant patch extant. It is situated like the asparagus beds at Longmont. In this currant patch there are 135,000 plants set out in rows of seven seven feet apart. The plants are three and one-half feet apart in the rows. 150 hands old and young are employed at picking time. One and one fourth cents a pound is paid for picking which enables expert pickers to make as high as $2.50 a day. A currant bush in Colorado will produce at least a gallon of currants. Some produce ten gallons. Owing to irrigation it is claimed that the berries are superior in flavor to those grown under other conditions.

A crate of the grafted product of a Maryland with a French chestnut tree was received in Milwaukee recently. These are the first nuts from grafted trees that have reached this market and their size astonished the commission men who have dealt extensively in chestnuts for years. The nuts came in the bur, which is as large around as two fists, while the nuts are a trifle more than an inch in diameter or larger than the imported nut. For several years the experiment of grafting the American with the foreign chestnut tree has been tried and the crop this year gives evidynce of its success. The result will within a few years mean a large decrease in the importation of the nuts as sufficient quantity will then be supplied. from American soil. A bushel of the nuts exhibited by the firm show that they are large, of uniform size and well developed in the kernel.

Grape Cuttings.

Every farmer should know how to grow from cuttings such plants as the grape. Arrangements for such cuttings can best be made when the fall or winter prunning is done. The way to make grape cuttings is to trim to three eyes or buds. Make the cut of the part that is to go in the ground and also of that which is to be above the ground close to a bud. Set the slips thus made in the ground in a slightly sloping condition so that the upper eye or bud stands a little above the surface of the soil. Then cover what has thus been set out with leaves or litter. By spring the cuttings so made or placed will be ready to send out roots. Let these cuttings grow where they are for a year and in the fall or spring afterward transplant them to their permanent places.

FARM NOTES

Evergreen branches make an excellent winter protection for many plants and they are often useful to hold down forrest leaves and prevent the wind from carrying them off.

Rake up all the debris around the grape vines and burn the leaves and other materials Scatter air-slaked lime liberally on the ground around the vines. In the spring turn the soil under and use more lime. In this manner the ravages of the rot can be greatly mitigated

The winter is the time for the farmer to meet and discuss matters pertaining to farming. May good hints, some of them very valuable may be gained or imparted at such meetings and no better way of spending the time can be devised if the weather is to severe to permit of other work.

The black knot is the scourge of the cherry and plum but it can be prevented by vigilance. Cut away any of the limbs that show any signs of the disease and spray the tree with kerosene emulsion or the Bordeaux mixture the disease will spread to every tree in the orchard if allowed to go unchecked.

A "corn-judging school" will be held at the Iowa Agricultural College, at Ames, Jan. 5 to 17. The best samples of all the leading varieties of corn from the greatest breeders of various States, will be on exhibition and used in the classes which will be held every day, studying the corn systematically with the use of the revised score card.

A gill of crude carbolic acid (which is much cheaper than the refined article) made into an emulsion with half a pint of strong soap suds with a quart of cold water then added will be sufficient for moistening a bushel of sawdust which may be used as a disinfectant.

Rotation of crops is necessary for success in farming, as two or three crops of the same kind cannot be profitably grown on a plot. This may be noticed every day as hedge plants cannot be renewed by a hedge of the same kind and trees planted in place of others of the same kind do not thrive. The best results are obtained when there is a radical change of crops.

Lincoln Institute Notes.

Jefferson City, Mo, Special.—The Sunday afternoon religious service regularly held at Lincoln Institute was of unusal interest Dec. 7th as President Allen invited such old soldiers of the 62d and 65th regiments, who had helped to found the institution, as could be brought together on short notice, to conduct the meeting. The stories recounted by these old gentlemen relative to their enlistment. war service, bullet wounds, honorable discharge, etc, held the audience spell-bound and alternately provoked mirth and tears. One of the soldiers showed a certificate of his personal contribution to the fund to found Lincoln Institute, and all spoke with pride as they compared the humble beginning with the present beautiful grounds, commodious buildings and exceptional educational facilities that have crowned their original efforts. Truly they "builded better than they knew," and found memories of the brave, thoughtful boys of the 62d and 65th should forever be enshrined, not only in the hearts of Missouri boys and girls, but in the hearts of all who reap the benefits of their labors President Allen, with his usual tact and forethought, has issued a call for pictures of as many of these soldiers as can be found in order that, having been arranged in proper form, they may be placed on the walls of Lincoln Institute. He also suggests that, in the near future, a tablet containing the names of as many as possible be dedicated to their memory, and that a museum be started in which, among other things of interest, relics bearing upon the history of the institution shall be preserved. One of the soldiers exhibited a good-sized piece of the bell that for years hung in the tower of the old main building, and was destroyed with it in the fire of 1893, but that formerly, morning, noon and night, called to duty the students on the campus and in the city, and was eagerly watched for, not only by the students, but by the citizens, white and black, and many an Alumnus who perchance may read these lines will recall memories and scenes of youth, as he thinks of the "Old Lincoln bell." But, presto change, the bell, and the romance that clusters around it, are things of the past, and the Lincoln students of prosaically keeps step to electric bells and a steam whistle.

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For the proper training of the young and their development in thrift, industry and brotherly love, there has been formed a Children's Department known as the Rosebuds. Twenty or more children not less than three nor more than fourteen years of age may from a Rosebud, upon the payment of $1.00 each. This department like the Senior Fountain pays sick benefits from $1.00 to twenty-five cents per week and death benefits from $24.50 to $37.00. The monthly dues are fifteen cents per month.

CLASSES.

Persons desiring to leave their beneficiaries at death a larger amount than is paid from Fountain department take out policies in one or more of the Classes of the Mutual benefit degree. The members of this degree are devided into Circles and pay joining fees and dues according to the following tables:

CLASS "B" TABLE

AGES.	Joining Fee.	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 2 50	$ 200 00	$ 100 00	$ 4 75	$ 1 20
25 to 30	2 75	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
30 to 35	3 00	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
35 to 40	3 25	200 00	100 00	5 70	1 43
40 to 45	3 50	140 00	70 00	5 79	1 43
45 to 50	3 75	115 00	58 00	6 65	1 66
50 to 55	4 00	90 00	45 00	6 65	1 66
55 to 60	4 25	65 00	33 00	7 60	1 90

CLASS "E" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate before 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 5 00	$ 500 00	$ 250 00	$ 9 50	$ 2 50
25 to 30	5 25	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
30 to 35	5 50	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
35 to 40	5 75	500 00	250 00	10 40	2 60
40 to 45	6 00	450 00	225 00	10 40	2 60
45 to 50	6 25	400 00	200 00	11 40	2 85
50 to 60	6 50	350 00	175 00	11 40	2 85

CLASS "M" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate	Annual Dues	Quarterly Dues
14 to 30	$ 11 00	$ 1000 00	$ 21 00	$ 5 25
30 to 35	12 00	1000 00	22 00	5 50
35 to 40	12 00	900 00	23 00	5 75
40 to 45	13 00	800 00	24 00	6 00
45 to 50	13 00	700 00	25 00	6 25

REGALIA.

The members of the Fountains and Rosebuds of the organization wear no expensive regalia. The regalia of the organization is simple and its cost within the reach of all, costing from 10 cents to $350 the same is made by the organization in what is known as the Regalia Department.

THE SAVINGS BANK.

In March 1888, there was granted by the Legislature of Virginia, a charter to the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountian United Order of True Reformers, capital stock $100,000.00. The bank commenced bussiness April 3rd, 1889, and from that time down to the present has steadily increased in volume of business. It now has a paid-up capital stock of $100,000.00. From the humble sum of $1.268.69 deposited the first day the bank opened for business in 1889, the deposits have grown to $350,858.00, and the volume of business transacted amounts to $6,190,141.47. During the financial panic of 1893, the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountain was the only bank in the city of Richmond that did not cease to pay cash on all checks presented while the majority of other banks were using script and clearing-house checks. This bank had its origin in the brain of William W. Browne an ex-slave of Habersham county, Ga. The banking house is located at 604 N. Second Street, Richmond, Va., Rev. W. L. Taylor, President; R. T. Hill, Cashier.

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

The Real Estate Department has charge of all the real property to the amount of $225,221.65, situated in various States, consisting of 18 magnificent buildings used as halls, 8 dwellings, 1 hotel, 5 stores and 3 farms. It also has under its control 16 large buildings leased by it.

This department is under the management of Lawyer J. C. Robertson, Chief of Real Estate and Attorney for the organization, with offices at 604 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

REFORMER'S MECANTILE AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION

Was chartered under the laws of the State of Virginia on the 14th day of December 1899 with principal office in the city of Richmond, Va. The purpose of this Association is to conduct stores (wholesale and retail) buy and sell real property, manage and control hotels, manufacturing establishments, and general business. The Association has in operation Hotel Reformer, 900 N. Sixth street, Richmond, Va. It is a modern up-to-date structure, heated by steam, cold and hot water baths, also electric cars passing the door. This hotel has accommodation for 150 guests. Mr. A. W. Holmes is manager and Mr. T. W. Taylor is clerk. It has in operation a system of five stores, located as follows: Richmond, Va.; Washington, D. C.; Manchester, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; and Roanoke, Va. The first of these stores, at Richmond, Va., was opened April 3rd, 1900. It emyloys a force of eighteen men, runs three delivery wagons, and during the first year did $50,000 worth of business. The other stores have been established since and have been equally as prosperous. The General Manager of the system of stores is Mr. B. L. Jordan, headquarters at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. This Association was formed on the plans and recommendations made by Rev. W. L. Taylor, its President.

THE REFORMER PRINTING DEPARTMENT

Issues a weekly journal, THE REFORMER, which has a circulation of 12,000. This paper is published in the interest of the race, and discusses the leading questions of the day. The subscription price is $1 per year, or 5c per single copy. The office is equipped with modern up-to-date machinery, run by electricity. It can print anything from a visiting card to a poster 12 by 62 inches. Fine job-work of every class and description is made a specialty at lowest prices. Mr. E. W. Brown is Editor and Business Manager, office 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. Correspondence solicited and agents wanted.

OLD FOLKS' HOME

In September 1893, Rev. William W. Brown recommended the formation and establishment of Old Folks' Homes for the benefit of the old and decrepid members of the race. Since that time the valuable farm known as Westham, consisting of 634¼ acres, located six miles from Richmond, Va, on the historic "James" has been purchased at a cost of $14 400. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad runs through the farm and Westham Station is located on it. Adjoining this farm is Westhampton Park, one of the most pleasant resorts in the South in summer It is reached in a few minutes from Richmond by the Westhampton Electric Railway and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

As this home is for the benefit of the whole race, the co-operation of all charitable friends is prayfully solicited. All contributions, donations and bequeaths of every character will be very thankfully received. Mr. T W. Taylor is chief in charge of the Old Folks' Homes, offices at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ADDRESS

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Rev. Powhattan Bagnall, pastor of St. Augustine presbyterian Church in Patterson, N. Y. has been elected superintendent of the Howard Orphan Asylum of Brooklyn, N Y. Rev Mr. Bagnall is a well educated, man.

The Thirteenth annual Conference of Colored Young Mens' Christian Association of West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland and District of Columbia will be held in Danville Virginia December 27-30 1902.

The Colored Seventh Day Advantists in Washington, D. C., have long worshipped with the white congregation, this state of affair have not proven satisfactory. Recently, steps have been taken for a final separation. The whites will erect a new church and the colored retain the old one. That racial distinction exist in this country and will for many years to come

Miss Jessie Fortune, the brilliant young daughter of T. Thomas Fortune, who is teaching school in New York City, returned to her home in Red Banks N. J. last week to spend a few days in order to see her father off on his long sail across the wide Pacific.

President Roosevelt has appointed Timothy Thomas Fortune of Red Bank a Special Commissioner to investigate conditions of our insular possessions. These are the Hawaiian and Phillippine islands. He has started on the journey to Manila eleven thousand miles from New York City. It requires 30 days of steady traveling to get there. Mr. Fortune will stop at Honolulu, the capitol of the Hawaiian island, and visit T. McCants Stewart, the brillint Negro lawyer who went from New York a few years ago and settled there. Honlulu is about the distance from New York City to manila. Mr. Fortune will spend one or two weeks at Honolulu and expects to land in the Phillippines about the middle of January. While Mr. Fortune is away in the discharge of his new duties as a Special Commissioner, the New York Age will be edited by Jerome B. Peterson. Mr. Fortune's partner, who is now business manager of the concern. Mr. Peterson has employed some one else to attend to his end of the business.

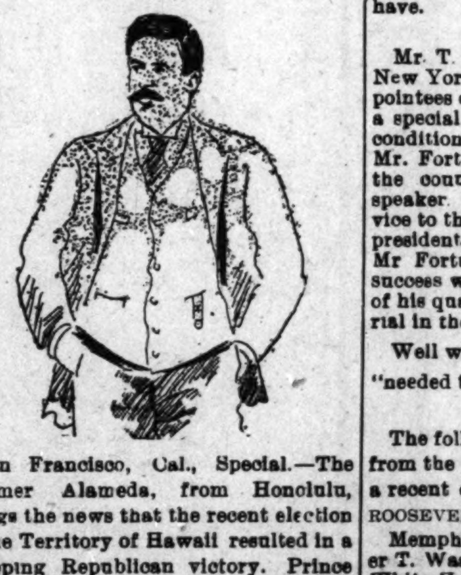
The letter of B. T. Washington of November 27th, in which he explains his position relative to the race and political matters pertaining to the Negro, should set at rest all fault-finders and critics of this great man of the race. Washington is alright let him alone

Lafayette Hill, colored man of the old issue, died suddenly near Jonesville, S. C. last Friday. Lafayette had managed to buy a tract of land and lived in comfortable circumstances and was well thought of by both white and colored people as is the case with all Negroes who live honest, industrious lives.

News is received that the girls' dormitory of the Alcorn College at Rodney, Miss., was completed and occupied on December 1. It will accommodate one hundred inmates, and applications have already been received from more than that number. It cost $14,000, is heated with hot air, and is in every respect an up to-date building.

PRINCE CUPID

Elected by Hawaiian Republicans as Delegate to Congress.



San Francisco, Cal., Special.—The steamer Alameda, from Honolulu, brings the news that the recent election in the Territory of Hawaii resulted in a sweeping Republican victory. Prince Kalanianaole, popularly known as Prince Cupid, was elected delegate to Congreess over Robert W. Wilcox, the incumbent and Democratic candidate, by a majority of over 2,000. Prince Kalanianaole, the Congressional Delegate elect, is a full-blooded Hawaiian and has in the past been identified with the home rule party. When both the Republican and Democratic parties offered him the candidacy of Territorial Delegate, he accepted the Republican nomination. Both candidates instituted a lively campaign throughout the islands. Wilcox was elected to Congress in 1890, defeating Samuel Parker.

Facts Worth Knowing.

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On the first and third Tuesdays of each month to and including April 21st, 1903, the Mobile & Ohio railroad will sell one way settlers tickets to points South, southeast and southwest, including Mobile, Ala., at one half of the regular first-class one way fare plus $2 00. On the same days Homeseekers excursion tickets will be sold to same territory at rate of one fare plus $2.00 for the round trip. Ask your nearest Agent, or John M. Beall, A. G. P. A., M. & O. R. R., St. Louis, Mo., for further particulars

B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

To the ambitious young Negro who would like to suck "Government pap" in the form of a fat office and who is intelligent enough to see his race as a political factor "growing beautifully less" I herein say, "Be of good cheer." All things come to him who waits (if he waits long enough.)

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A surprising and sad (?) example of the above statement is the case of the Rt. Hon. Timothy Thomas Fortune editor of the New York "Age."

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I have personally known Mr. Thomas Fortune for the past 20 years. He is a gentleman, an editor and a race leader upon whose editorial staff I had the honor (?) to be when he published the N. Y. "Globe" (grand parent of the N. Y. "Age.") Mr. Fortune has for the past twenty years had the "fat office bee" buzzing in his bonnet and—has just "landed."

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He has, during that time, identified himself with every known political party (always having his eye on the National corn crib and always betting on the wrong horse.") He has at last "landed" in a fat office. Young man! follow his example.

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To those who have never seen the play, "A Texas Steer" I would warningly say: Beware! Beware!! Do not be allured by the forloin hope of a worthy Negro getting a Government office, no matter what political work you have done for the g. o. p. or what merits education or other qualifications you have.

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Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, editor of the New York Age, is one of the late appointees of President Roosevelt. He is a special commissioner to investigate conditions in our insular possessions. Mr. Fortune is well known throughout the country as an able writer and speaker. He has rendered valuable service to the party in recent years. He is president of the Afro-American League Mr Fortune is worthy and able and his success will be considered a recognition of his qualities and of the race.—Editorial in the "Freeman" Nov 29.

Well we are glad of it. Mr. Fortune "needed the money."

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The following news article was clipped from the 'New York Evening World' of a recent date:

ROOSEVELT DID NOT DINE WITH NEGRO

Memphis Tenn., Nov. 25.—That Booker T. Washington did not dine at the White House table as the guest of President Roosevelt and family was the interesting announcement made to day by General Marcus J Wright, of the War Department in Washington who has been visiting in Memphis for a number of days. The whole truth of the matter is this, said General Wright:

"President Roosevelt had been anxious for some time to obtain a truthful light on the situation in the South. Finally at the suggestion of a number of Southern and Northern men of both great political parties he sent a message to Booker Washington, asking him to come to the capitol for a conference regarding the Negro, his needs and his capabilities. Washington came, and the conference which was started in the President's executive office was changed to his private office because of repeated interruptions, continued for five hours.

"In the midst of the conference between the President and Washington luncheon was sent in to the chief executive of the nation. Desiring to continue the conversation and rather than loose the time necessary for Mr. Washington to go to luncheon, President Roosevelt ordered that luncheon be served the negro educator in the same room.

"Now this is all there was to that story. Washington did not dine at the White House table and did not break bread with the plesidents wife and daughter and was in no sense a guest on terms of social equality."

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It is bad enough to be called "Doc," but our friend "B. Square Bluster," even goes so far as to call us 'Kid." However, we will meet the "Bluster" on the 'square"—"The Doctor."

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When "we" used the above slang and unkind remarks Doctor, "we" conceeded you were the infant of the family but since "we" have studied your pennings (and analized your pills) "we" discover that you are—well an old member of the "Blue Pencil Club" so we ask your pardon Doctor and take it all back. Enough said.

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A young correspondent who signs him (or her) self 'Lord Byron Jr., asks: "Do printers, typsetters and proof readers who "ǂi" your copy go to Heaven when they die? Ans. Well, do they? ' You have another guess "—B. SQUARE.

INQUIRY.

Special to The Freeman.

My brother, William Lightle, went from Lightle's Mill, two miles above Moscow, Tenn., in 1861 or '62. He went with Capt. Jolley of the 4th Illinois cavalry, called the "hundred day men." The captain supposed to live either in Chicago or Bloomington, Ill. His mother's name is Adline Lightle, his father's, Alfred. Sisters' names are Laura and Mary and a brother, Bronson Any information of the above will be thankfully received and highly appreciated by his sister, MRS. L. C. MACK,

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J. W. Napier is in Nashville, Tenn., visiting his mother.

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Mrs. Maggie Blaylock continues ill at her home in Missouri street.

Mr. Al Henderson was in St. Louis, Monday among his friends.

Mrs. Al. Henderson will visit Louisville, during the holidays.

F. Fowler Brown will sing a solo at St. Philip's Mission to-morrow.

Fred Hillman of Covington was in the city Sunday, visiting his wife.

Dr. J. H. Ward addressed the Y. M. C. A., in their rooms last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Elizabeth Sweeney entertained the Topaz Cluster yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Go to the Atlas Cloak and Suit House Indiana avenue for bargains in cloaks, suits, skirts, etc.

Emery Ball of Columbus, O., will be the guest of W. H. Fielding during the Christmas holidays.

Wm. R. Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Hill will enter Depauw University, at Greencastle, Jan. 1.

John L. Todd of Cleveland, O., after a long illness, convalescing. Mr. Todd is well known in this city.

There will be confimation at St. Philip's Mission to-morrow after noon at 4 o'clock. Every one is invited to come.

Dr. Stephen Alexander will visit his parents in New albany, Ind., during the Christmas. Prof. W. A. Thomas will accompany him.

The grand Cantata and Christmas tree will be one of the finest affairs of the season at Allen Chapel. You should not miss it. It is greater than ever before.

William Miller, foreman of the Denison tonsorial parlors submitted to an operation last Sunday for a tumor on his forehead. It was removed by Dr. Monker.

The Industrial Saving and Investment Association gave a competitive drill and lecture Tuesday and Wednesday nights, December 16 17, at Cleveland Hall.

There will be a New Year's day entertainment at Allen Chapel, given by the club led by Mrs. John Earley. The program is a fine one. You should hear Mrs Taylor, the accomplished musician.

Dr. B. F. Watson of the A. M. E. Church. Extension is at home for the holidays after an extended visit through the Southwest. He expresses himself as favorably impressed with that section and especially Indian Territory, where, he says, the colored people are doing well.

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Flaxseed is one of the best remedies for a cold on the lungs. Such a cold should never be neglected, for it may speedily result in some more serious ailment. A hot bath should be immediately taken, followed by a cool sponging. The latter will prevent taking more cold. Use flaxseed either ground or whole, pour over it boiling water, let it steep, and drain off the liquor, thin it sufficiently so that it can be used for a drink. To every bowlful add the juice of one lemon and sugar to make it palatable. Drink freely of this when ever thirsty, or oftener if there is little thirst. The result is wonderful. If there is tickling or roughness in the throat, or hoarseness or an inclination to cough, beat the white of an egg to a stiff froth, into a glass squeeze the juice of a lemon, add as much sugar as it will readily dissolve, then stir in the white of egg, and take a spoonful whenever there is the desire cough. Many a night that would otherwise be spent in wakefulness by coughing can be spent in quiet slumber.

I have tried this remedy so often and with such magical results that I wish I could impress upon my readers its value. If the cough has become established it will take a little longer to effect a perfect cure, but it will surely bring relief. I need not speak of hot lemonade, for every one knows its value.

The Winona Ceres Company, of Elkhart, Indiana, manufacturers of the Winona Ceres Coffee, Winona Cakes, has lately won a notable victory. It came in competition with the Postum Cereal, the Grano and Cream Cereal in the effort to secure the contract from the Home for Feebleminded at Fort Wayne, Indiana for the year, 1903. All were tested without mark, except for certification by the judges, and the Winona Ceres Co., was granted the contract for three tons of Ceres Coffee for 1903.

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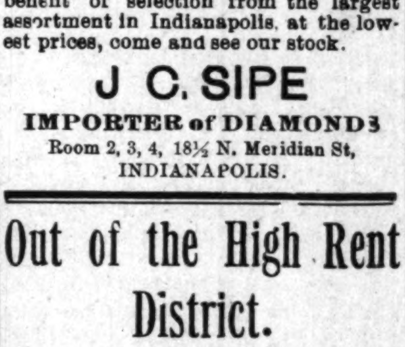

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